

I frequently talk with Central New Jersey residents who share my anger with the reckless way Wall Street gamed the system with exotic financial schemes and awarded themselves big bonuses while families and small businesses paid the price. The economic collapse started on Wall Street, but it cost 8 million Americans their jobs and \$17 trillion in retirement savings. Last Wednesday, I [supported](#) the strongest reforms to our financial system since the Great Depression. Later this month, I expect the Senate will pass the reform bill and send it to President Obama for his signature.

Wall Street reform:

- Creates a new consumer financial protection bureau to protect Americans from the types of abusive lending practices that led to the economic collapse.
- Prevents taxpayer-funded bailouts of financial giants.
- Restores responsibility and accountability to Wall Street.

Click [here](#) for more information on what Wall Street reform means for you.

Service Academy Nominations

Each year, I have the honor of [nominating](#) outstanding young women and men from Central New Jersey to serve in the U.S. Military Academies and Prep Schools. These nominees are selected on a competitive basis, and a list of Central New Jersey residents joining the class of 2014 can be found [here](#).

If you or a member of your family is interested in applying for a nomination to one of the service academies, please contact me at 609-750-9365 or visit my [website](#) and click on Academy Nominations.

Listening to You

Last week, I held a one-hour telephone town hall with Central New Jersey residents, answering questions regarding such issues as job creation, Wall Street reform, health care reform, the war in Afghanistan, and veterans care. You can listen to the meeting [here](#). These conference call type of discussions are one way for me to stay in touch with you.

I will be holding my next telephone town meeting on Tuesday, July 20 at 7:30 p.m. You can sign

up for the town hall meeting on [my website](#) . To receive information about upcoming meetings, please sign up for my enewsletter, [the eGenda](#) .

Sincerely,

RUSH HOLT
Member of Congress